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To: <danadean@utah.gov>
Date: 4/30/2008 4:21 PM
Subject: FW: Skyline shields...
Attachments: Skyline Mine - Abandonment of Longwall Shields Underground - 29 April 2008.pdf

Dana,
Thanks for your time and effort on this project. FYI - attached is a letter from BLM on the issue.

Call if I can help.

Gregg

-----Original Message-----

From: Winters, Carl
Sent: Wednesday, April 30, 2008 7:30 AM
To: Sorensen, Wess; Galecki, Gregg
Subject: FW: Skyline shields...

The BLM has signed off on leaving the shields.

-----Original Message-----

From: Steve_Rigby@blm.gov [mailto:Steve_Rigby@blm.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 30, 2008 7:19 AM
To: Winters, Carl
Cc: Jeff_McKenzie@blm.gov
Subject: Fw: Skyline shields...

Carl,

It's in the mail.....

S. Rigby

----- Forwarded by Steve Rigby/PFO/UT/BLM/DOI on 04/30/2008 07:17 AM

Jeff
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Mr. Wesley K. Sorensen
General Manager – Skyline Mine
Canyon Fuel Company, LLC.
HCR 35, Box 380
Helper, UT 84526

Re: Abandonment of Longwall Shields Underground

Dear Mr. Sorensen:

On March 10, 2008, a request was made by Skyline Mine to leave 148 Gullick-Dobsen shields in place when the mining of 2 Left section is completed. Several shields have been damaged; two are broken in half. Leaving the shields is based on the hazards inherent with moving large longwall equipment, especially shields.

The Bureau of Land Management has consulted with the Manti-La Sal National Forest as well as with the Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining. It has been determined that allowing the shields to be left underground is in compliance with the lease terms and conditions. Removal of hazardous materials from the equipment is required prior to abandonment.

Please notify this office once the longwall move has been completed identifying the exact location of where the shields are left. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Rigby of the Price Field Office at (435) 636-3604 or Jeff McKenzie of my staff at (801) 539-4038.

Sincerely,

James F. Kohler
Chief, Solid Minerals Branch

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